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The **COVID-19 pandemic** makes it clearer than ever why we rely on quality local journalism to provide the information we need, whether it is keeping our families protected or knowing what our government and business leaders are doing during the crisis.



**Communities without newspapers** actually end up paying more in taxes, according to a report from National Public Radio. Without watchdog journalism, lending institutions worry that governments are not as accountable to the public and in some cases increase borrowing costs. Cities, school districts and towns borrow for big ticket items and those interest rates on loans can add up.

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